

I am writing to urge the FCC to reject petition 04-160 filed by the National Association of Broadcasters.

As a subscriber to XM Satellite Radio I find the traffic and weather channels to be extremely useful. They are constantly available when I need them. Commercial radio stations do not provide such a stream of traffic and weather information. This service is, in a word, unique.

Beyond traffic and weather, the commercial-free music in so many different genres is absolutely the best development in radio in my lifetime. I long ago stopped listening to commercial radio because of limited programming and long blocks of obnoxious commercials. Now I happily pay XM each month to receive satellite radio at home and in my car.

I believe that satellite radio is a superb addition to the entertainment and news business in the United States. I hope you interpret the law in such a way that XM is allowed to continue to broadcast traffic and weather information.

Sincerely,
Robert Gray